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Title: ORAL DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEM

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 C.F.R § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed September 29, 2009, said period of response being extended from December 29, 2009 to March 29, 2010.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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